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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
J. A. SLATTERY
M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.,
including the
REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
RAYMOND A. HALLETT
C.R.S.H., F.A.P.H.I.,
for the year
1967



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Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present for your consideration my Annual Report for 1967.

Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area

Area	6,653 acres
Home Population (estimated June, 1967)			12,010
Number of Houses, 1967			4,311
Census Population, 1961			10,506
Rateable value of the District for the half-year beginning 1st April, 1967 was			£495,488
The sum represented by a penny rate, year ended 31st March, 1967		...	£ 1,965
Live Births (Male 117, Female 128)			245
Birth Rate (uncorrected) per 1000 population			20.4
Area Comparability Factor			1.06
Corrected Birth Rate			21.6
Birth Rate England and Wales			17.2
Birth Rate Administrative County of Essex (corrected)			16.29
Illegitimate Live Births (per cent of total live births)			7
Stillbirths		...	4
Stillbirth Rate per 1000 total live and stillbirths			16
Total Live and Stillbirths			249
Infant Deaths (deaths under one year)			5

Infant Mortality Rates

Total infant deaths per 1000 total live births	20.4
Legitimate infant deaths per 1000 legitimate live births	21.9
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1000 illegitimate live births	NIL
Infant Mortality Rate England and Wales	18.3

Neonatal Deaths	...	3
Neonatal Mortality Rate (deaths under four weeks per 1000 total live births)		12.2
Early Neonatal Deaths		2
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate (deaths under one week per 1000 total live births)		8.2
Perinatal Mortality Rate (stillbirths and deaths under one week combined per 1000 total live and stillbirths)		24.1
Maternal Mortality (including abortion)		
Number of Deaths		NIL

Deaths	Male	79
	Female	69
	Total	148

Death Rate (uncorrected)	...	12.3
Area Comparability Factor	...	0.63
Corrected Death Rate	...	7.7
Death Rate England and Wales		11.2
Death Rate Administrative County of Essex (Corrected)		9.6

Causes of Death at different periods of life
during 1967

Cause of Death	Total All Ages	Under One Year	1-4	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65 and over
Malignant Neoplasm Stomach	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Malignant Neoplasm Lung	7	-	-	-	-	-	5	2
Malignant Neoplasm Breast	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	13	-	-	-	-	-	4	9
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System	33	-	-	-	-	-	2	31
Coronary Disease Angina	35	-	-	-	-	1	5	29
Other Heart Disease	8	-	-	-	-	-	1	7
Other Circulatory Disease	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Hypertension with Heart Disease	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Pneumonia	16	2	-	-	-	-	-	14
Bronchitis	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Diabetes	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm Uterus	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Congenital Malformations	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other defined and Ill-defined Diseases	8	2	-	-	-	-	2	4
All other accidents	4	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
Suicide	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total All Causes	148	5	-	1	-	2	21	119

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Population

Shown below is a table of population figures for the past six years. Most of the population increase is attributed to immigration.

	a	b	c	d	e	f
Year	Mid-year Population	Increase in Population	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Immigration b - e for previous year
1962	10720	213	227	160	67	224
1963	10990	270	221	182	39	203
1964	11330	440	242	167	75	401
1965	11630	300	219	183	36	225
1966	11840	210	234	159	75	174
1967	12010	170	245	148	97	95

Infectious Disease

Notifications for the year are shown in the table reproduced below.

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In the second table of infectious diseases, notifications in 1967 are compared with those in earlier years.

	1967	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Measles	201	158	30	212	2	61
Pneumonia	1	3	2	-	-	4
Scarlet Fever	1	2	-	1	-	2
Whooping Cough	17	2	1	-	3	15
Infective Hepatitis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	2	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Respiratory Tuberculosis	1	3	2	1	4	-
Food Poisoning	4	-	-	1	-	2

Disinfection

The Public Health Department can give advise and assistance with disinfection and can itself obtain technical help from the Public Health Laboratory Service. Disinfection of household articles can be arranged with the Hospital Authorities.

National Assistance Act 1948-51 Section 47.

A number of visits were made during the year to elderly people living alone. Some were referred to the Area Welfare Officer. No statutory action was required under the Act.

Staff Medicals.

Twenty four medicals were carried out during the year. Two men were referred to general practitioners for treatment. Specialists opinion was obtained on another employee. Six blood tests were done on waterworks staff.

Hospital Services.

Specialist Clinics held at St. Peters Hospital.

Monday	Morning	-	Obstetric Medical Dietetic
	Afternoon	-	Dermatology School Eye Clinic (3 per month)
Tuesday	Morning	-	Surgical Ophthalmology Gynaecology Orthoptic
	Afternoon	-	Psychiatric (2 per month) Orthoptic (2 per month)
Wednesday	Morning	-	Obstetric Dental (2 per month)
	Afternoon	-	Chest
Thursday	Morning	-	Medical
Friday	Morning	-	Physical Medicine Orthoptic
	Afternoon	-	Chest

The Appliance Fitters attend the Out-Patients Department on Friday Afternoons for fitting by appointment.

TUBERCULOSIS

The North East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board provide a number of Sanatoria throughout the County. Patients are dealt with at the Chest Clinic on Fridays at St. Peters Hospital, non-notified cases on Wednesday.

COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES.MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

The County Council is the responsible authority for these services and full use can be made of the facilities offered through the County Scheme. Adequate provision for hospital treatment and specialist services are similarly available where necessary.

Under these provisions, clinics are provided at the (Essex County) Health Services Clinic, Wantz Chase, Maldon. Treatment is usually by appointment and sessions are held as follows:-

WOMEN'S WELFARE	3rd and 5th Monday morning in each month at 10 a.m. By appointment.
ANTE NATAL CLINIC	3rd and 5th Monday morning in each month at 10 a.m. By appointment.
CHILD WELFARE CLINIC	Every Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. Doctor in attendance 1st, 3rd and 5th Friday.
DENTAL CLINIC	As necessary.
SCHOOL CLINIC	1st and 3rd Friday mornings in each month at 10 a.m.
MOTHERCRAFT AND RELAXATION	Every Wednesday afternoon, and otherwise by arrangement.
SPEECH THERAPY	Thursday. By appointment.
CHIROPODY	By appointment.
CERVICAL CYTOLOGY	By appointment.

A Child Welfare Clinic is also held at Heybridge on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in each month at 2 p.m. (Doctor in attendance on 2nd Tuesday).

SCHOOL CHILDREN

The County Council is the Education Authority for both Primary and Secondary Schools in the Borough. Minor Ailments, After-Treatment and Dental Clinics for school children are arranged by the County Council at the Health Services Clinic, Wantz Chase, Maldon.

VENEREAL DISEASES

Facilities exist for diagnosis and treatment in Chelmsford, Colchester and Southend.

PHYSIO-THERAPY

There is one physio-therapist in the Borough who is registered by the Essex County Council as follows:-

Mr. H.A. Whitehall,
1A, Butt Lane,
MALDON, Essex.

CHIROPODY

There is one Chiropodist in the Town who is registered by the Essex County Council as follows:-

Mrs. G. Campbell,
8, Wentworth Meadows,
MALDON, Essex.

FAMILY PLANNING

A Clinic is held every Wednesday from 6 to 7 p.m.

Immunisation and Vaccination.

This service is administered by the Area Medical Officer. The figures given below refer to immunisations and vaccinations carried out by general practitioners and Assistant County Medical Officers in your district. I am grateful to Dr. Miller Wood for permission to show these figures.

The scheme of preventive inoculations available to babies and children at welfare centres and schools is as follows:-

Infants	-	Diphtheria Tetanus Whooping Cough Poliomyelitis
School entrants	-	Diphtheria Tetanus Poliomyelitis
Ten year olds	-	Diphtheria Tetanus Poliomyelitis (if necessary).

Smallpox vaccination is available from general practitioners.

The table shown below records the numbers of children in different age groups, living in Maldon, who were given primary courses of immunisation during 1967 against the diseases indicated. Most of the injections for diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough were given together as triple vaccine.

	Year of Birth							Totals
	1967	1966	1965	1964	1963	1958-1962	1953-1957	
Diphtheria	107	95	5	2	1	11	3	214
Tetanus	107	95	5	2	1	19	31	260
Whooping Cough	104	95	5	1	-	4	2	211
Poliomyelitis	82	134	6	4	8	10	7	251
Smallpox	16	80	24	9	3	6	-	138

The second table gives figures for re-inforcing doses administered during 1967 to children of different age groups living in Maldon.

	Year of Birth						Totals
	1966	1965	1964	1963	1958-1962	1953-1957	
Diphtheria	37	55	5	19	145	76	337
Tetanus	37	55	6	20	148	92	358
Whooping Cough	35	54	4	2	30	4	129
Poliomyelitis	8	3	1	13	132	21	178
Smallpox	-	1	1	-	3	1	6

It remains for me to record my appreciation for the assistance and support I have had during the year from the Public Health Inspector and the other officers of the Council and also the clerical staff of the Health Department.

I have the honour to be,
 Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,
 Your obedient Servant,

J. A. SLATTERY

Medical Officer of Health.

Table 1. Summary of the results of the analysis of variance for the different parameters studied. The values in parentheses indicate the degrees of freedom for each parameter.

Parameter	Factor	Mean	SD	ANOVA	ANOVA	ANOVA	ANOVA
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56

The results of the analysis of variance for the different parameters studied are presented in Table 1. The values in parentheses indicate the degrees of freedom for each parameter.

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Report of the Public Health Inspector.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I present, for the seventeenth year, this portion of the Annual Report.

More Acts, Regulations, Statutory Instruments and Codes of Practice, thus the avalanche of paper continues. If we could but have one whole year without any new legislation, we could all take a deep breath and perhaps have some time to put into practice the requirements of all the legislation already enacted.

The amount of new private housing development continues at a high level in the Borough and this is likely to be progressive as it is planned that the population will increase to 18,000 by 1981. More people and more houses mean more motor vehicles with the consequent traffic congestion and frustration that this brings. The motor car is truly a mixed blessing.

GENERAL SANITATION.

The detailed summary which will be found on pages 20 and 21 sets out all the various inspections and visits made during the year.

The number of formal complaints was 159, all of which received appropriate attention. This was an increase of 27 on the previous year.

There was a slight increase in the total number of inspections and visits made during the year.

HOUSING

It was necessary to continue to make orders in respect of a small number of individually unfit houses. This is done in most cases on an informal basis due to the more ready acceptance of owners that substandard property should be eliminated. The Council were able to offer alternative accommodation throughout the year with little delay.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Average number of persons per house</u>	
1901	4.28	Figures for years prior to 1934 refer to the unextended Borough.
1911	4.35	
1926	4.06	
1936	3.32	
1946	3.29	
1965	2.79	
1966	2.80	
1967	2.78	

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS.

The number of application approved during the year was 55 an increase of 5 as compared with 1966, with a consequent increase in the amount of time which had to be devoted to this work. This scheme is essentially concerned with the standard of housing fitness and is directly linked with duties under the Housing Acts and therefore constitutes basic Public Health Administration.

No. of Standard Grants	(Applied for	10
	(Approved	10
No. of Discretionary Grants	(Applied for	45
	(Approved	45
Total maximum amount of Standard Grants approved		£ 1,515
Total amount of Discretionary Grants approved		£14,691
Total cost of work involved		£33,879

The Council first operated this scheme in 1954 and since that time grants in respect of 434 houses have been approved involving a total payment by the Council of £92,642 an average of approximately £214 per house.

Once again the number of grants authorised and the total cost of work involved is a record for any one year since the scheme was first operated. The increased cost is not surprising, bearing in mind rising prices. The greater number of properties improved, however, is very encouraging.

CAMPING GROUNDS

Work continued throughout the year to provide main drainage at the camps. This has not progressed as quickly as was hoped, due to the delay in bringing the main drainage system into full operation.

CLEAN AIR

Some routine observations were made regarding smoke emission. There are few industrial plants in the district and as a consequence very little time is devoted to this work.

CONTROL OF HOUSEBOATS

No problems arose in connection with these craft.

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS

One infestation was discovered during the year and the premises were fumigated.

OTHER INSECT PESTS

Wasps continued to give cause for concern in the area and action was taken to destroy their nests.

RODENT CONTROL

In 1962 the Council made arrangements to appoint a Commercial Company to undertake this work on a contract basis and this has proved quite satisfactory, ninetyseven premises being treated and other regular inspections being undertaken.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

The collection and disposal of house refuse, the sweeping of streets and the operation of the Night Soil collection service are under the control of the Borough Engineer.

These services are operated with the following:-

Two Karrier "Bantam" 3 ton Refuse Freighters.
 Karrier "Bantam" 2 ton Refuse Freighter.
 Morris Electric 15/20 Cwt. Street Orderly Truck.
 Massey-Ferguson Bulldozer.
 Johnson Road Sweeper.
 International Harvester Excavator (DROTT).

Conditions on the Refuse tip were maintained at a good level though at times the covering of refuse was inadequate. During the latter part of the year tipping of refuse outside the sea wall on the saltings gave rise to serious problems, with the tide invading the tipped areas and on the ebb carrying large quantities of refuse down river.

During the latter part of the year the Council decided upon a policy of using Paper Sacks for refuse collection. The scheme is phased to eventually include the whole of the Borough, although the initial one was only about 350 houses.

This scheme is to commence in January 1968 and it is hoped that it will meet with unqualified success.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The new sewage disposal plant gave cause for a number of problems and remedial works were put in hand.

In addition, work continued to connect up various lengths of spur sewers and thus bring many more properties onto the water carriage system of drainage.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOODFOOD HYGIENE

I can only repeat what I have said on very many occasions that insufficient time can be found to undertake all the essential duties in this connection.

Positive work is necessary to continually educate successive generations of employees in food shops, both by regular inspection of the premises and by providing elementary courses of instruction, but this just cannot be done for lack of adequate time.

GENERAL FOOD PREMISES

(a) The following is a list of various food premises in the Borough. This town serves as a shopping centre for a large Rural Area and in consequence the number of shops is large in proportion to the population.

Bakers	4
Butchers	10
Catering premises and canteens	31
Confectioners	8
Fish Shops	5
Greengrocers	10
Grocers and General Stores	39
Public Houses, Hotels and Clubs	27

(b) There are 9 premises in the Borough which come within the provisions of Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

(c) Inspections of food premises are concentrated on those trades where unwrapped food is handled. Many of the smaller shops deal almost exclusively in wrapped goods, and therefore attention can be less regular.

I am of the opinion that every food premises should be inspected on average, at least 4 times a year. This means approximately 600 inspections per annum, and under present conditions this is impossible.

(d) Most of the food which is condemned as being unfit is of the tinned or bottled variety and is disposed of by burial at the refuse tip.

(e) Food Sampling.

The submission of samples of uncooked and cooked meat and other products has been undertaken for some time with satisfactory results.

In 1967 45 samples of various types of the most suspect foods were submitted for analysis. None of these were found to be unsatisfactory.

Complaints from customers continued to be reasonably frequent but none was serious enough to warrant more than a cautionary letter to the supplier.

MILK AND DAIRIES ADMINISTRATION

The number of premises used as cow sheds and dairies in the Borough are as follows:-

Wholesale Producers	5
Retail Purveyors	} 23
Pasteurised Milk Dealers	

Frequent inspections are made to all premises retailing milk and these have been kept in a satisfactory condition.

ICE CREAM

The number of persons and premises registered under the provisions of the Essex County Council Act, 1933 is as follows:-

Vendors only	59
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During the year, the number of samples taken was twelve, a few more than in 1966. All these samples were submitted for examination by the Methylene Blue Reduction test and the results are as below:-

Grade	I	12
Grade	II	-
Grade	III	-
Grade	IV	-

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There are no slaughterhouses within the Borough.

Very infrequent inspections of carcase meat are undertaken at butcher's premises. A small quantity of unsound meat was discovered as reported hereunder.

Tinned foods are controlled very satisfactorily, voluntary surrender being used to deal with unfit consignments. The following is a summary of the various items disposed of in this way:-

Boiling fowls (31)	111 lbs	Chopped Pork	12 lbs
Carcases N.Z. Lamb(2)	66 lbs	Cod Fillets	38 lbs
Lambs Liver	60 lbs	Dog Fish (Rock Eel)	7 lbs
Sheeps Liver	30 lbs	Hard Roe	18 lbs
Pork Loins	18 lbs	Pork Shoulder	10 lbs
Jellied Veal	24 lbs	Ox Tongue	12 lbs
Ham	110 lbs	Various packets frozen	
Pork Luncheon Meat	4 lbs	food, tins, bottles	
Lunch Tongues	12 lbs	and packages	2,594

REGISTRATION OF FOOD HAWKERS

The provisions of the Essex County Council Act, 1952, have not caused any problems. These provisions are not used frequently, but at the same time they do serve a useful purpose.

ADULTERATION

The Essex County Council are responsible for the administration of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 in respect of food adulteration. Close contact is maintained with the County Council Staff and this results in satisfactory supervision.

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The administration of this Act continues to be undertaken by the Staff of the Borough Engineer's Department.

Further representation was made to the Council during the year to appoint an Additional Public Health Inspector. This matter was still under discussion at the end of the year.

I wish to express my thanks to Dr. Slattery and the other Officers of the Council for their assistance and co-operation during the past year. I would especially mention my Secretary, Miss D. Goodchild who has continued to assist me most ably.

I have the honour to be,

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R.A. Hallett.

Public Health Inspector.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS AND NOTICES

INSPECTIONS	No.	IN- FORMAL NOTICES	FORMAL NOTICES	TOTAL COMP- LIED WITH	OUTSTANDING AT END OF YEAR INFORMAL-FORMAL	
Miscellaneous	141	-	-	-	-	-
Housing Act						
Inspections						
(a) Overcrowding	17					
(b) Structural Defects	96	21	-	16	5	-
(c) Re-inspection	191					
(d) Improvement Grants	441					
Public Health Acts						
(a) Nuisances - Houses	36	16	-	16	-	-
(b) Animals	30	4	-	4	-	-
(c) Re-inspections	47	-	-	-	-	-
Drainage (including nuisances)						
(a) Drains	64	31	-	31	-	-
(b) Ditches	7	2	-	2	-	-
Water Supply						
(a) Sampling	27	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Inspections of same	34	-	-	-	-	-
Food Premises						
(a) Shops	74	16	-	16	-	-
(b) Ice Cream Premises	19	2	-	2	-	-
(c) Cafes etc.,	49	4	-	4	-	-
(d) Bakehouses	4	1	-	1	-	-
(e) Food samples taken	45	-	-	-	-	-
Licenced Premises	9	3	-	3	-	-
Offensive Accumulations	2	1	-	1	-	-
Rats and Mice	97	97	-	97	-	-
Insect Pests	11	4	-	4	-	-
TOTAL :	1441	202	-	197	5	-

INSPECTIONS	No.	IN- FORMAL NOTICES	FORMAL NOTICES	TOTAL COMP- LIED WITH	OUTSTANDING AT END OF YEAR INFORMAL-FORMAL	
Carried Forward	1441	202	-	197	5	-
<u>Camping Ground and Moveable Dwellings</u>	67	7	-	7	-	-
<u>Disinfections</u>	2	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Swimming Pool</u>						
(a) Sampling	14	-	-	-	-	-
(b) General Inspections	23	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Infectious Diseases</u>	4	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Houseboats</u>	11	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Departmental Matters</u>						
(a) Dangerous Structures	1	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Sewers	14	3	-	3	-	-
(c) Refuse Collection	30	5	-	5	-	-
<u>Clean Air Act</u>						
(a) Inspections made	9	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Milk and Dairies</u>						
(a) Retail premises	4	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Farms	2	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Meat Inspection at Shops</u>	7	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL :	1629	217	-	217	5	-

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOUSING ACTS.DETAILS OF REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS COMPLETED - 1967

Roofs repaired or renewed	21
Chimney stacks repaired, rebuilt, or repointed	10
Gutters, rainwater pipes etc., repaired or renewed	27
Gullies repaired or renewed	3
Dampness remedied	23
Floors repaired or renewed	8
Skirting boards repaired	2
Ceiling plaster repaired	8
Wall plaster repaired or renewed	11
Sash cords and window frames repaired or renewed	22
Windows and window fasteners repaired or renewed	12
Firegrates/ranges provided or renewed	6
New sink provided, drainage boards complete	2
Ventilated food store provided	23
Doors and door frames repaired or renewed	13
Drains repaired or reconstructed	16
W.C. compartment rebuilt or repaired	4
W.C. cistern renewed or repaired	2
Miscellaneous nuisances abated	11
Additional power points provided	32
Walls and ceilings redecorated	4
Wash hand basins provided or renewed	4
Air-bricks provided	5
New sink trap and waste provided	6

Individual Unfit Houses

Name of Property	Date of Order	No. of Houses Involved	No. of Houses Occupied	No. of Houses Vacant	No. of Houses Demolished	Undertakings accepted.
Various addresses		16	-	16	-	
101, Cross Road, Maldon.		1	1	-	-	Undertaking not to let Sept. 1964.
16, Fambridge Rd., Maldon.	Closing Order Jan.1966	1	1	-	-	Order revoked House made fit 1967.
11 & 12, The Passage, Hey. Basin.		2	-	-	2	
Chiltern Cott. Hey. Basin.		1	-	-	1	
38, Market Hill, Maldon.	Closing Order Dec.1966	1	-	1	-	-
62 & 64, High St. Maldon.		4	-	3	-	Undertaking not to let Oct. 1966.
"Pax", Harfred Avenue, Hey. Basin.	Demolition Order, Dec. 1966	1	-	1	-	-
176, High St., Maldon.		1	-	1	-	Undertaking not to let Jan. 1967.
1 & 2, Mill Lane, Maldon.	Closing Order Feb.1967	2	-	2	-	-
2,4,6 & 8, Station Road, Maldon.		4	4	-	-	Undertaking not to let June 1967.
156 & 158, Wantz Road, Maldon.		2	-	2	-	Undertaking not to let Dec. 1967.

PRESCRIBED PARTICULARS ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF FACTORIES ACT 1937/61

Inspections for the purpose of provisions as to health including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector.

Premises (1)	No. on Register (2)	Inspection (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sec. 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by the local authority	6	4	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Sec. 7 is enforced by local authority	67	19	2	-
(iii) Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by local authority (excluding out-workers premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	73	23	2	-

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars (1)	No. of cases in which defects were				No. of cases in which prosecution was instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred to H.M. inspector. (4)	by H.M. inspector. (5)	
Sanitary convenience (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	4	4	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences	2	2	-	-	-
TOTAL	6	6	-	-	-

OUTWORK

Nature of Work	Section 110 No. of out workers in Aug- ust list required by Sec- tion 110	No. of cases of default in send- ing lists to Council	No. of Prosec- utions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in un- wholesome premises	Notices served	Pros- ecut- ions
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Wearing Apparel, making etc.	2	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	2	-	-	-	-	-

